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# BRONE - Workshop I

**Dronefacilitet til test af sensorer og dataopsamling for brug i dronebaseret inspektion af infrastruktur og byggerier**

*Teknologisk Institut - Forskerparken 10F, 5230 Odense. April 4th 09:30-14:30*

# BRONE - Workshop I: Agenda



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- 09:30 to 09:45*      *Welcome to the Robot Centre*
- 09:45 to 10:15*      *Tour in the Robot Centre facilities*
- 10:15 to 11:30*      *Discussion on the BRONE activities*
- 11:30 to 12:15*      *Lunch*
- 12:30 to 13:00*      *Transport to HCA Airport*
- 13:00 to 14:00*      *Walkthrough HCA airport test facilities*
- 14:00 to 14:30*      *Workshop - wrap up*



# General notes and Introduction

## Workshop participants:

- Note: The name and details of the participants are omitted in the public document

## Welcome to new SMEs:

- Dansk Drone Kompagni
- Drone Harmony

## Project participants:

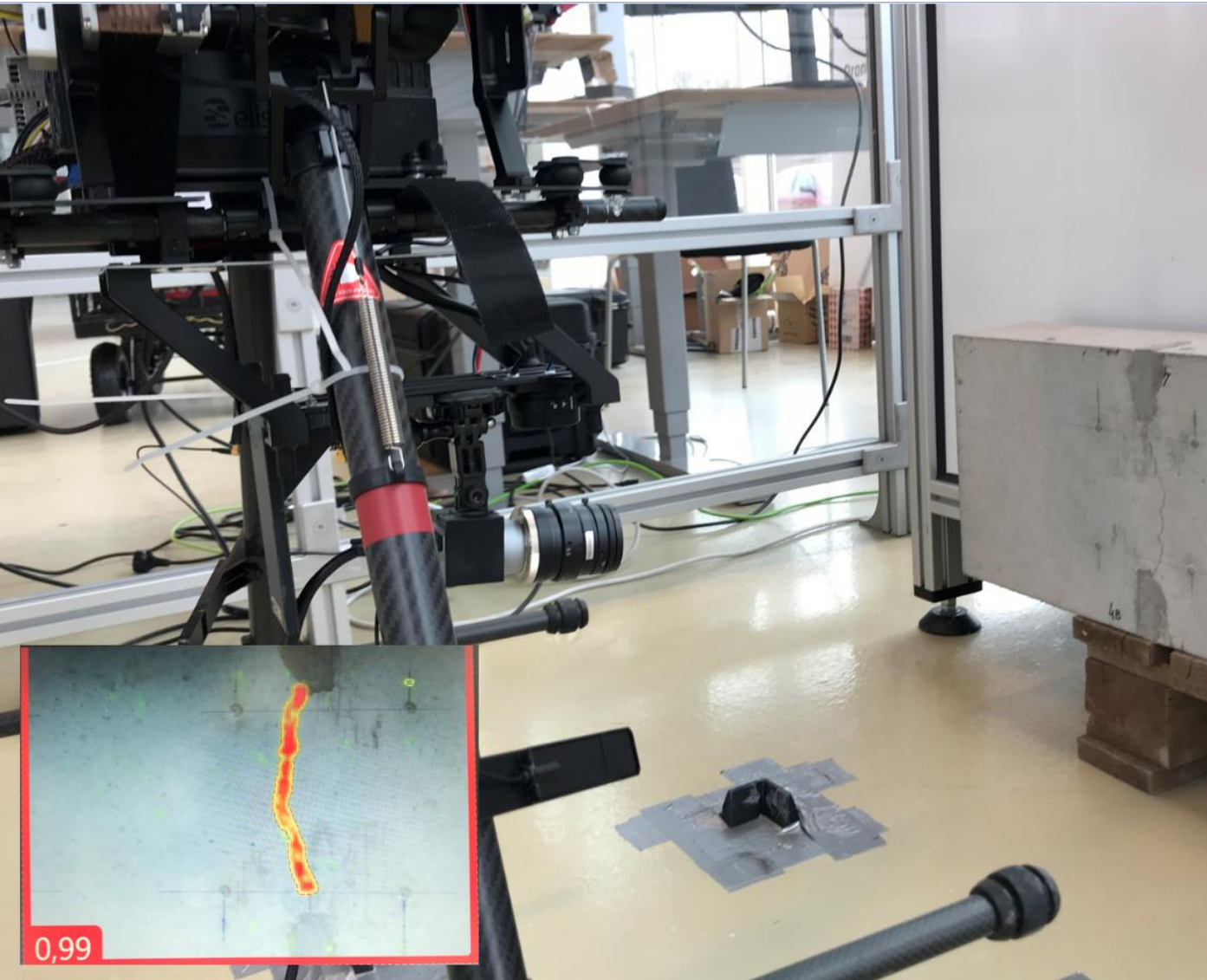
- EasyInspekt
- DroneInspektion
- Randers Tegl
- Scopito
- Spotland
- STO Danmark

# 1. Robot Centre facilities



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1. Artificial Intelligence-based crack detection system (under development)



2. Robot cell for controlled tests: drone flight simulation





## 2. BRONE: Activities & Goals

### FUNDAMENTAL OBJECTIVES:

- a) establish a reference facility for test and development of drone-based inspection
- b) experiment by testing drone-based inspection technologies**
- c) share knowledge by providing a space where companies can promote their technologies**
- d) foster new research and product development ventures**

### PROJECT ACTIVITIES:

1. Establish reference test facility with concrete or masonry samples
- 2. Perform conventional drone inspection of test samples**
- 3. Perform an open drone inspection hosted by a project participant**
- 4. Establish guidelines and parameters for use of reference samples**
5. Demonstrate a novel-automated inspection concept [M7-10]
6. Demonstrate a concept for degradation model [M8-12]



# 2. BRONE: Timeline



The project comprises the following activities: [Months: M1-M12]	M1	M2	M3	M4	M5	M6	M7	M8	M9	M10	M11	M12
1. Establish reference test facility with concrete or masonry samples [M1-3]	Complete											
2. Perform conventional drone inspection of test samples [M3-4]			In progress									
3. Perform an open drone inspection hosted by a project participant [M3-5]			In progress									
4. Establish guidelines and parameters for use of reference samples [M4-6]			In progress									
5. Demonstrate a novel-automated inspection concept [M7-10]							Complete					
6. Demonstrate a concept for degradation model [M8-12]								Complete				
<i>Milestone 1:</i> Kick-off meeting, [M1, 15.11.17]	x											
<i>Milestone 2:</i> Document mock-up to be monitored, [M3, 31.01.18]			x									
<i>Milestone 3:</i> Drone inspections & sensor tests are finalized, [M10, 31.08.18]										x		
<i>Milestone 4:</i> Project workshops are finalized [M11, 31.09.18]											x	
<i>Milestone 5:</i> Final presentation at Inno-Drone conference, [M12, 01.11.18]												x

*Activity 2-4: The samples to be produced will depend on which technology will be tested*



### 3. BRONE: Activity 2 (Development)

#### WHICH TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT SHALL WE FOCUS ON?

**Artificial- Intelligence-based inspection** → detecting anomalies in concrete/masonry;

**LIDAR and other sensors** → monitoring relative deformation on existing structures;

**Thermal cameras** → heat-maps of concrete elements produced in slip forming (on-site QC);

**Measurements of façade elements** → alignment/surface area in existing buildings QC/BIM);

*Based on the meeting discussion, the most relevant topics are AI-assisted inspections for crack detection and the use of thermal cameras. The former represents the innovation part of the project (new technology), whereas the later provides new insights for creating multi-layer models (where RGB and Thermal images are combined into one model). Jørgen (DTI) presented a case of a traditional building inspection in Aarhus where a drone equipped with thermal camera could be of advantage. The BRONE participants can work on two fronts: inspection of a concrete elements that will placed in the test facility (as part of Activity 2) and an inspection of a building façade (as part of activities 2 and 3).*



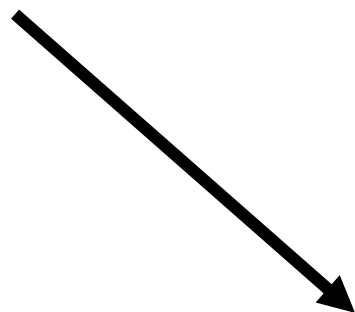
# 3. BRONE: Activity 2 (Development)

## LARGE-SCALE SAMPLES TO BE PLACED IN THE TEST FACILITY?

### CONTROLLED MASONRY SAMPLES



*Provided by the  
Masonry Centre*



### CONTROLLED CONCRETE SAMPLES



*Produced at DTI's  
Concrete Centre*

*Donated by a prefab  
concrete producer*

*NDT testing to define the  
ground-truth assessment*

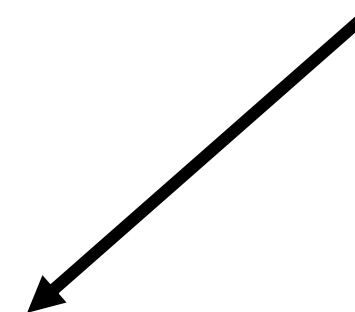


**PLACED IN THE OUTDOOR TEST FACILITY SO THE BRONE  
PARTICIPANTS HAVE ACCESS TO PERFORM INSPECTIONS**

### CONTROLLED FAÇADE SAMPLES



*Provided by one of the project  
participants (e.g. by STO)*





# 3. BRONE: Activity 2 (Development)

## EXAMPLES OF LARGE-SCALE CONCRETE SAMPLES – PRODUCED AT DTI’S CONCRETE CENTRE

*Challenge: our budget can be a limitation on the scale of the sample and the number of standard tests we can perform (ongoing discussion)*





## 4. BRONE: Activity 3 (Business-as-Usual)

### DRONE INSPECTION HOSTED BY ONE OF THE PROJECT PARTICIPANTS

Open invitation to companies to join a drone inspection or survey with focus on inspection procedures and good practice. The main idea is to share knowledge – a simple visit from “Participant A” to “Participant B”, e.g. Spotland visiting EasyInspect and understanding the way they handle data would be a great example for the project.

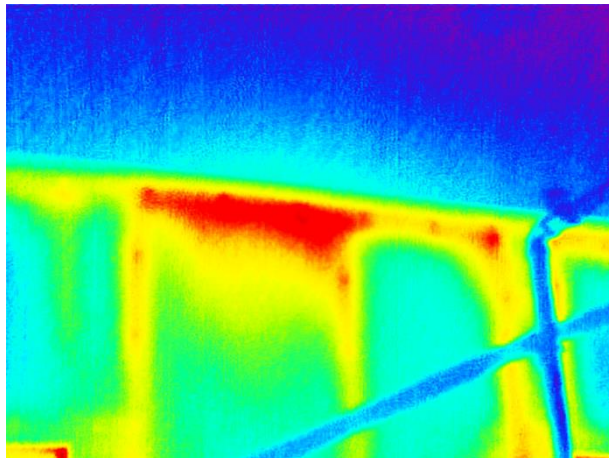
#### ***Suggestions:***

- *the tools provided by EasyInspect and/or Scopito could be used to document the results of the selected drone inspection – showcasing synergy between the project participants*
- *We can simplify A3 to a set of slides (open access data or models) highlighting a case where the companies feature an application of their technology, e.g. indoor laser scanning*
- *The façade case presented by DTI (see next slide) could also be an interesting way to have an “open drone inspection”.*



# 4. BRONE: Activity 3 (Business as Usual)

## SELECTED IMAGES FROM THE CASE STUDY PRESENTED BY DTI

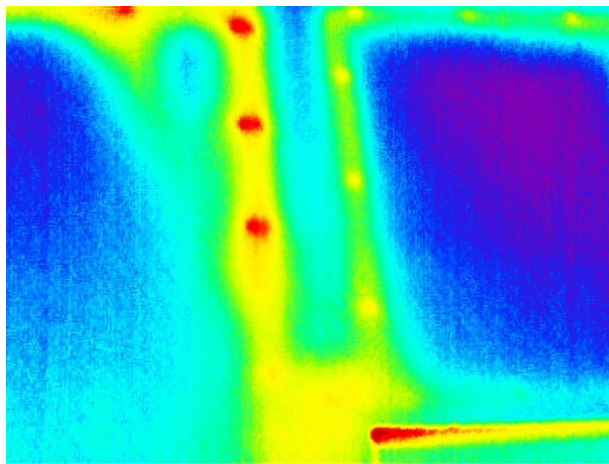


### Case study: (Performed using a traditional approach)

In a nutshell, a hand-held camera was used to identify cold bridges in façade panels of a building. The heat spots in the image indicate the steel profiles used to support the façade elements.

### Suggestion: (Drone-based inspection)

A similar inspection could be performed with a drone equipped with a thermal camera – the interesting part would be to overlay the thermal model with a model generated from RGB images. The workflow for such case could be an interesting application in Activity 3. This possibility will be investigated (pending approval)





## 6. BRONE: Project deliverables (Status)

1-page article to be published on the Build 4.0 platform with a project description

1 **Open invitation** to companies to join a drone inspection or survey

1 promotional **video** and article featuring the project activities and results

1 **presentation** featuring the project results at the InnoDrone Conference in late 2018

½-page **article** with a project description on InnoByg's LinkedIn group

➔ **2-pages** report with results from the conventional drone inspection of the **test samples** *Status: Upcoming  
(Samples being prepared)*

➔ **4-pages** report of an experimental case study on **mock-ups** featuring one of the automated inspection concepts

2-pages report on general concept on how to implement data from drones into deterioration modelling

1-page article with a summary of project results

**Workshop 1** – “Drone Inspections and brainstorming” (Taking place on 04.04.2018 in Odense)

**Workshop 2** – “Prospects and Lessons from the BRONE project”



# 7. BRONE: Dissemination

*COLLECT CASE STUDIES FROM PARTICIPANTS – Short article on LinkedIn and Build 4.0 platform.*

*Examples:*

- Drone Harmony: *Easy Workflow For Centimeter-precise Road Inspections in Difficult Terrains*
- Teknologisk Institut: *Concrete Inspection Tool Combining Tethered-drones And Machine Learning*

*If there is a case you want to promote, please email [wrls@dti.dk](mailto:wrls@dti.dk)*